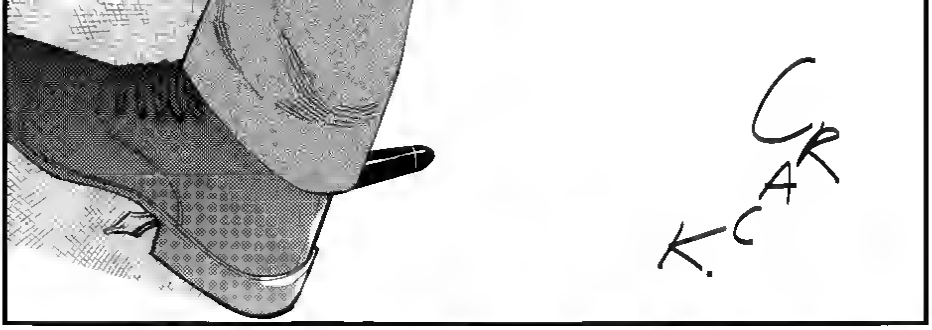
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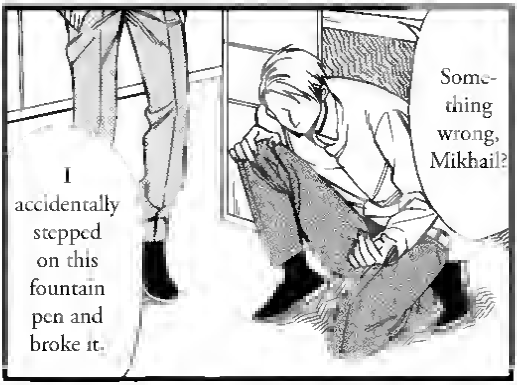
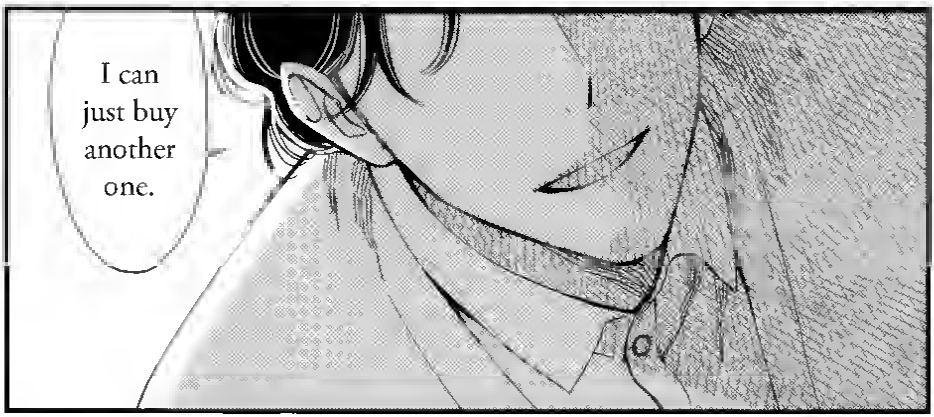
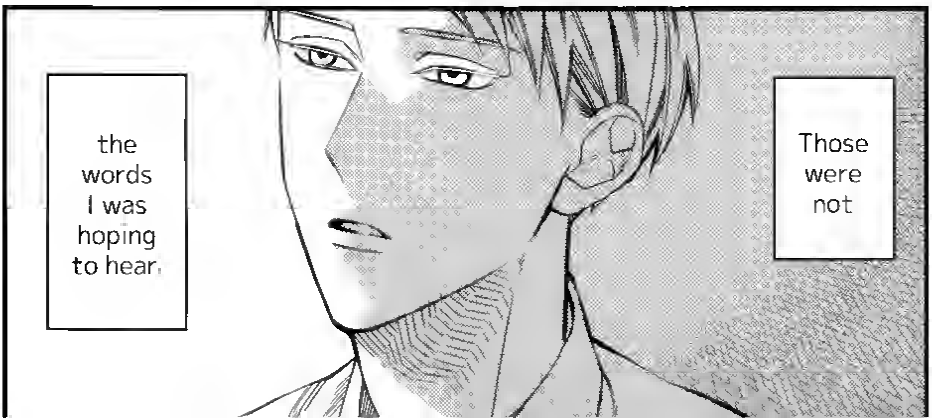
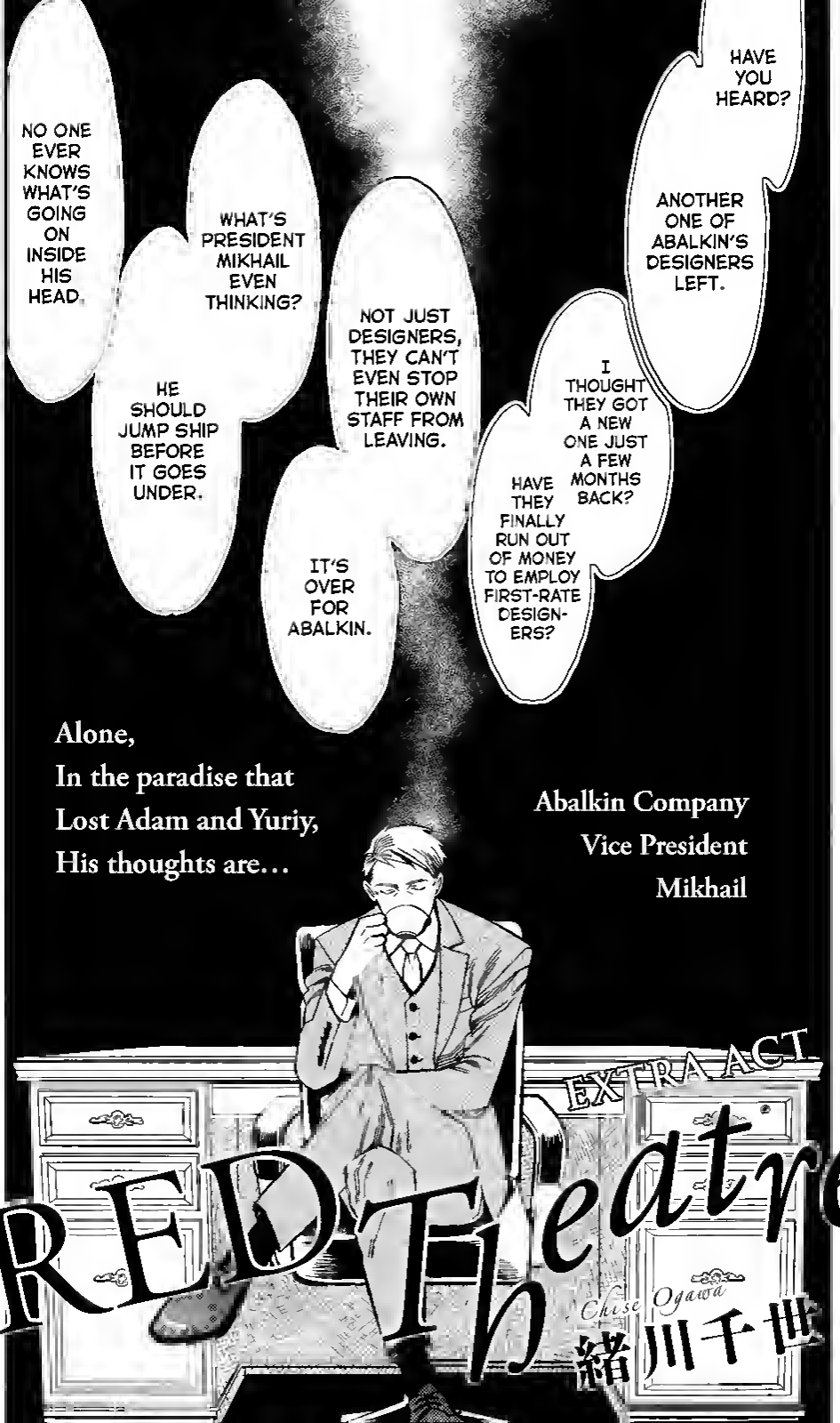
Don't worry, it's just a pen
After you went through the trouble of getting it for me...
Sorry ...


I accidentally stepped on this fountain pen and broke it.
Something wrong, Mikhail?


I can just buy another one.


the words I was hoping to hear.
Those were not


HAVE YOU HEARD?
ANOTHER ONE OF ABALKIN'S DESIGNERS LEFT.
I THOUGHT THEY GOT A NEW ONE JUST A FEW MONTHS BACK?
HAVE THEY FINALLY RUN OUT OF MONEY TO EMPLOY FIRST-RATE DESIGNERS?
NOT JUST DESIGNERS, THEY CAN'T EVEN STOP THEIR OWN STAFF FROM LEAVING.
IT'S OVER FOR ABALKIN.
WHAT'S PRESIDENT MIKHAIL EVEN THINKING?
HE SHOULD JUMP SHIP BEFORE IT GOES UNDER.
NO ONE EVER KNOWS WHAT'S GOING ON INSIDE HIS HEAD.
Alone,
In the paradise that
Lost Adam and Yuriy,
His thoughts are…
Abalkin Company
Vice President
Mikhail

EXTRA ACT

RED Theatre

Chise Ogawa

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HELLO.
PRESI-DENT, YOU HAVE A CALL.
HEY, I SAID TO PUT MORE MILK IN, DIDN'T I?
BITTER.

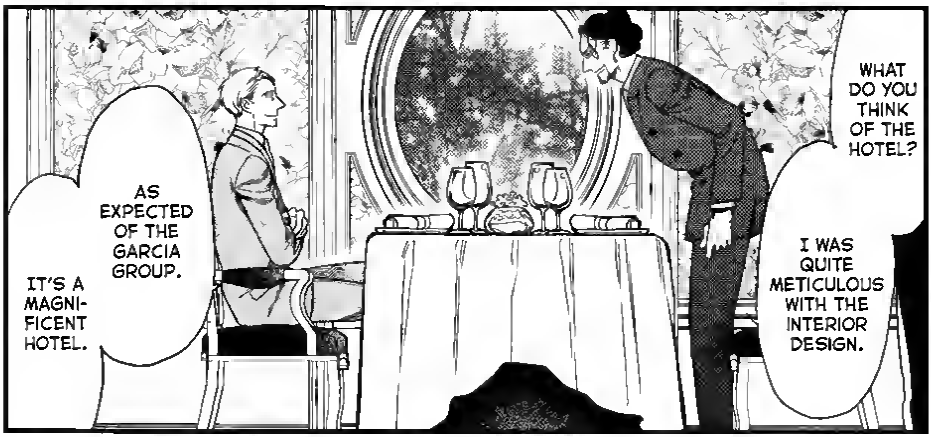
Isn't it about time you rely on my assistance?

IF IT'S YOU, NO REQUEST IS UNREASONABLE.

We can do it
Abalkin style.

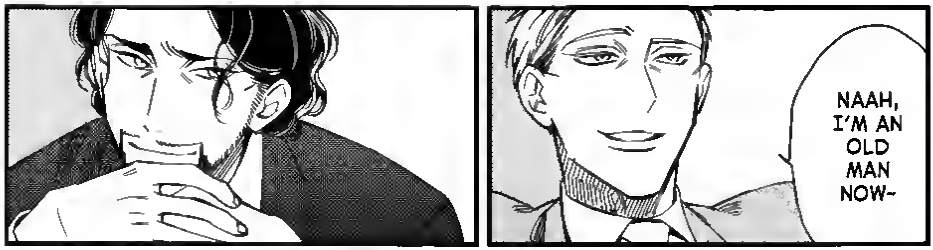
MY, I'VE KEPT YOU WAITING.

CARLOS.


WHAT DO YOU THINK OF THE HOTEL?
I WAS QUITE METICULOUS WITH THE INTERIOR DESIGN.
AS EXPECTED OF THE GARCIA GROUP.
IT'S A MAGNI-FICENT HOTEL.

FUFU... YOU NEVER CHANGE.
BUUUT- NOT TO MY TASTE.

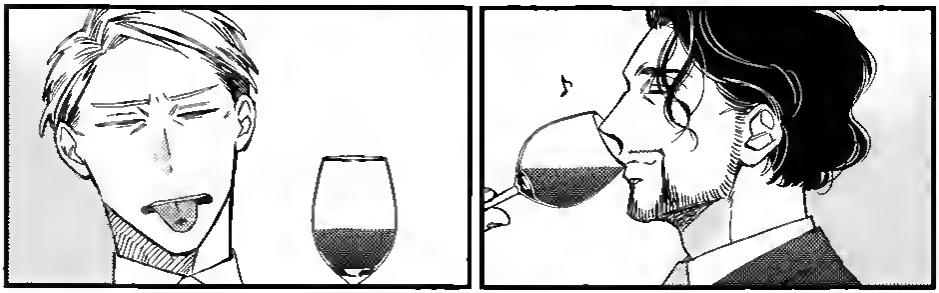
JUST LIKE 30 YEARS AGO.
PROUD, COOL-HEADED, AND BEAUTIFUL.

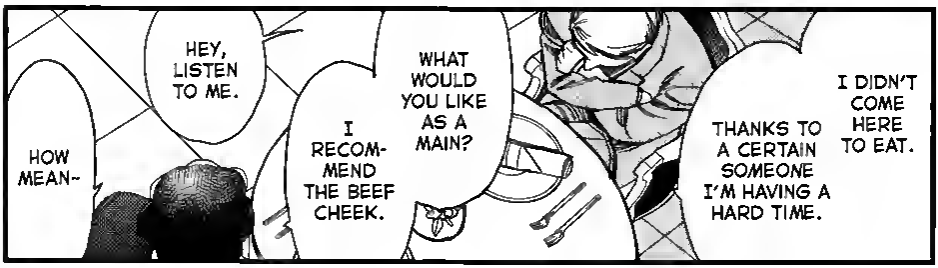

NAAH, I'M AN OLD MAN NOW-

LET'S GET SOME-THING TO DRINK.
RED OR WHITE?
PICK WHATEVER YOU WANT, I'M NOT DRINKING.

OKAY THEN. A 1985 JAYER RICHE-BOURG PLEASE.
THE SAME FOR MY GUEST.
VERY WELL, SIR.
I TOLD YOU I'M NOT DRINK-ING.
IN-DULGE A LITTLE.
THIS PLACE HAS BEEN CLEARED OUT FOR US, YOU CAN DRINK AS MUCH AS YOU LIKE.

HERE'S TO OUR REUNION.




HEY, LISTEN TO ME.
HOW MEAN~
I RECOM-MEND THE BEEF CHEEK.
WHAT WOULD YOU LIKE AS A MAIN?
THANKS TO A CERTAIN SOMEONE I'M HAVING A HARD TIME.
I DIDN'T COME HERE TO EAT.

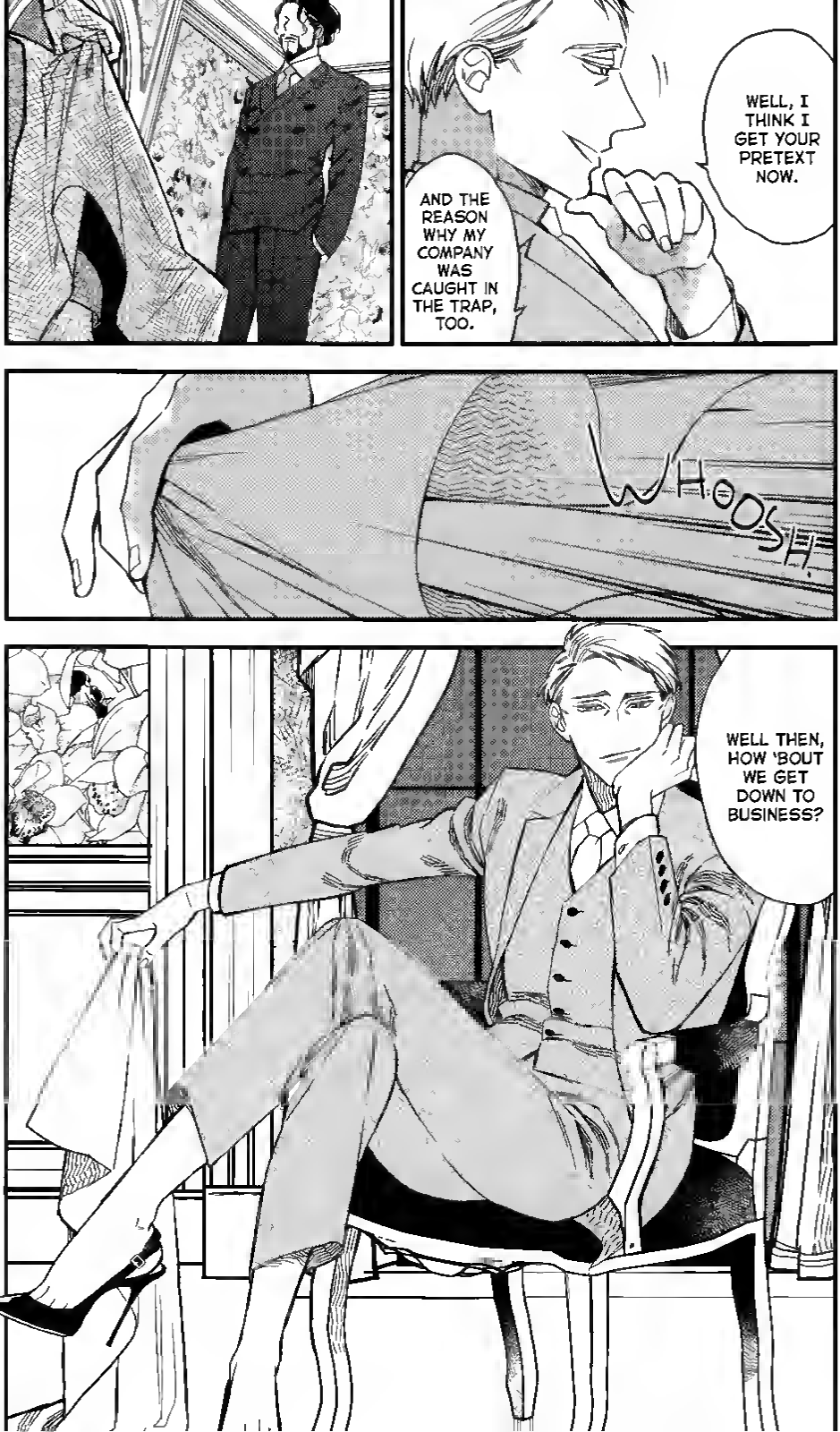
YOU'RE NOT EVEN WILLING TO TALK TO A GUY YOU TOYED WITH AND DUMPED IN THE PAST?

WELL THEN, LET ME TELL YOU AN OLD STORY.
HM... I'M NOT SURE WHAT YOU'RE ON ABOUT.
TOYED WITH?

WHEN I WAS STILL AN IGNORANT, UNWORLDLY YOUNG MASTER
I FELL HEAD OVER HEELS FOR A BEAUTIFUL, BRIGHT YOUNG MAN WHO I'D GOTTEN TO KNOW THROUGH AN ACQUAINTANCE.
WE DATED FOR ABOUT TWO YEARS.

I TREASURED HIM, LIKE A PRINCESS.
I'D GRANT ALL HIS WISHES; THE THINGS HE DESIRED, THE PLACES HE WISHED TO GO, WHATEVER HE WANTED TO DO...
AND SO WHEN HE SAID HE WANTED TO START A COMPANY WITH ME, I RAISED THE FUNDS FOR HIM.
I WAS OVERJOYED BY THE MERE SIGHT OF MY BELOVED SMILING IN DELIGHT.
BUT SOMEWHERE DOWN THE LINE, THIS YOUNG MAN TOOK ALL THE COMPANY STAFF AND CONNECTIONS, AND VANISHED FROM MY SIDE.
SPARING BUT A COLD GLANCE FROM THE CORNER OF HIS EYE, HE LEFT ME LOST IN DESPAIR, AND STARTED A SHOE BRAND WITH HIS SISTER IN A SPECTACULAR FASHION.

IT WAS THEN THAT I FINALLY REALISED I WAS BEING USED.
FROM THEN ON, I BECAME A DEMON.
I BEGAN GROWING THE COMPANY THAT WAS ONCE ON THE VERGE OF COLLAPSE, LYING QUIETLY IN WAIT.
TICK
CLATTER
FOR THE TIME TO EXACT MY REVENGE ON YOU
MIKHAIL.

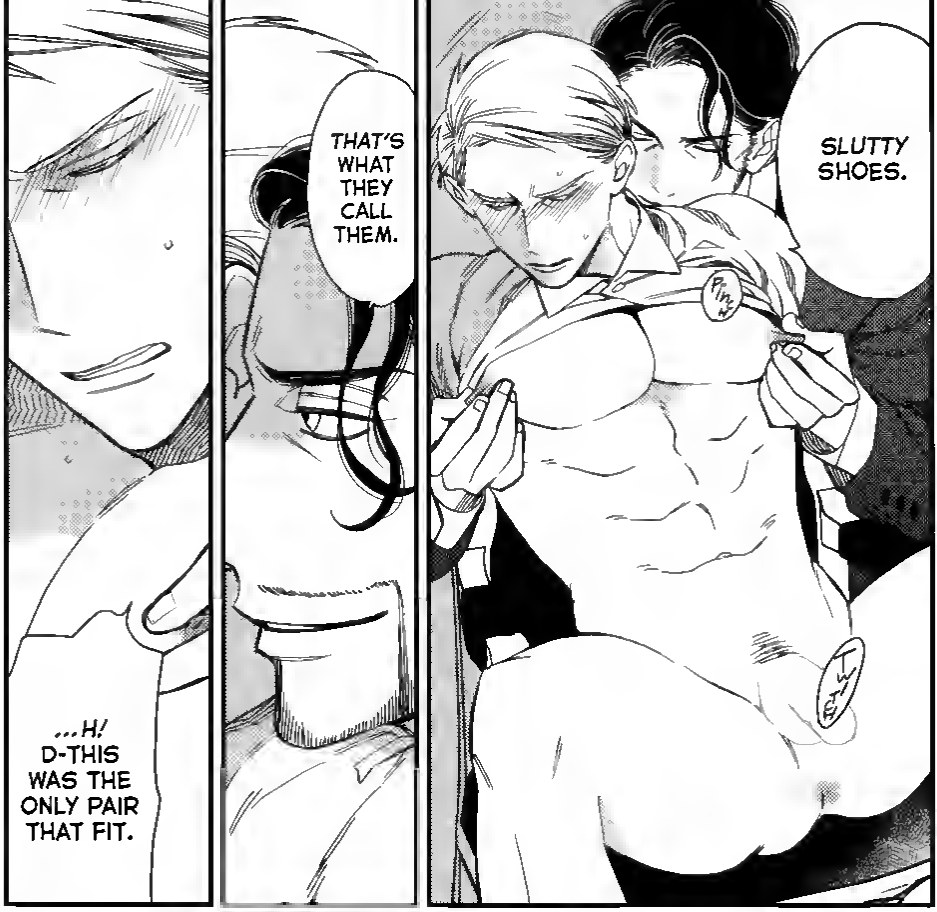

AND THE REASON WHY MY COMPANY WAS CAUGHT IN THE TRAP, TOO.
WELL, I THINK I GET YOUR PRETEXT NOW.
WHOOSH
WELL THEN, HOW 'BOUT WE GET DOWN TO BUSINESS?

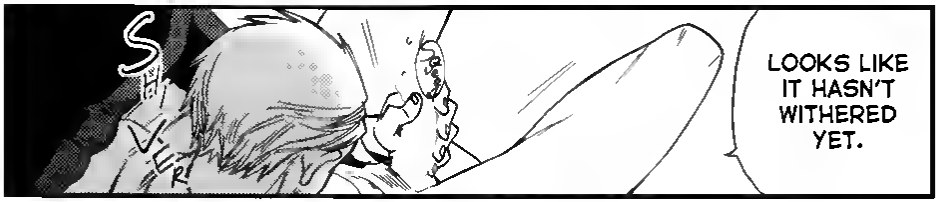
I'M NOT USED TO THIS, YOU SEE, SO MY FEET HURT.
AS I THOUGHT, IT MAKES IT SO MUCH EASIER THAT YOU'RE SMART.
I'M NOT AS KIND AS I WAS BACK THEN.
IF YOU WANT YOUR FUNDS, TRY SATISFYING ME.
STRIP YOUR LOWER HALF. SPREAD YOUR LEGS.
DON'T HIDE.
PUT YOUR ARMS UP BEHIND YOUR HEAD.

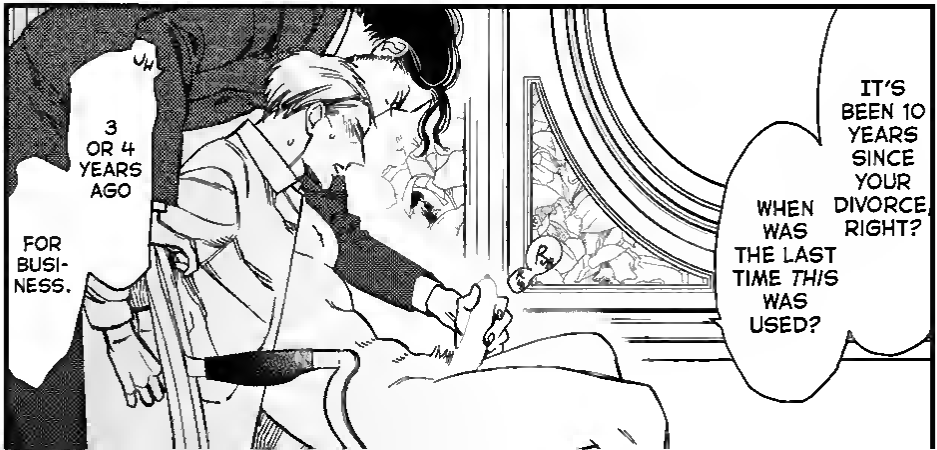
WHAT A NICE VIEW.

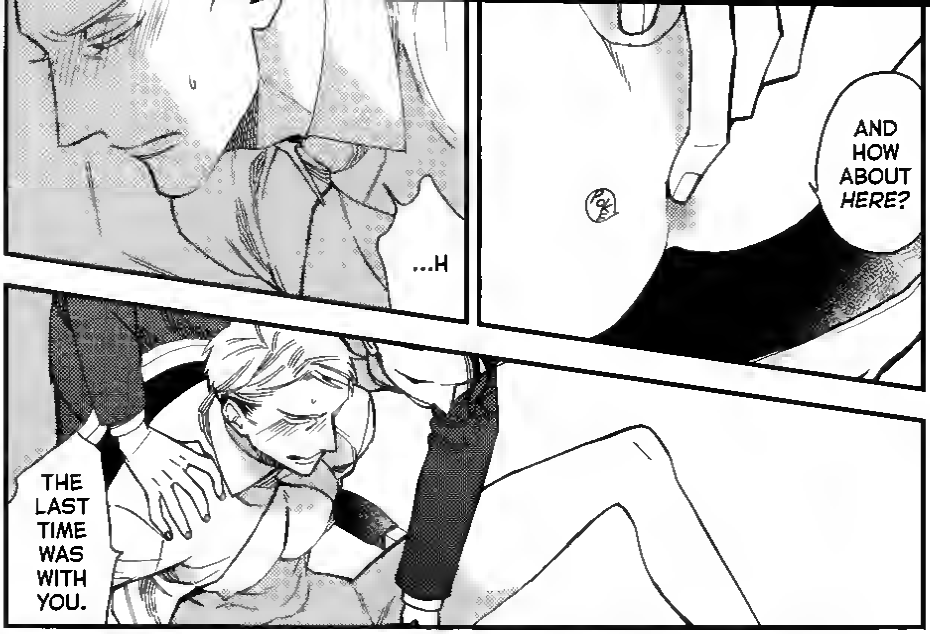
YOU KNOW THE OTHER NAME THEY CALL SLINGBACK SHOES?

IT SUITS YOU.
AW SHUCKS.
IT DOESN'T MAKE ME HAPPY AT ALL.


SLUTTY SHOES.
PIN
THAT'S WHAT THEY CALL THEM.
...H! D-THIS WAS THE ONLY PAIR THAT FIT.
TWIST


LOOKS LIKE IT HASN'T WITHERED YET.
SHIVER
PUSH


IT'S BEEN 10 YEARS SINCE YOUR DIVORCE, RIGHT?
WHEN WAS THE LAST TIME *THIS* WAS USED?
UH
3 OR 4 YEARS AGO
FOR BUSINESS.


...H
AND HOW ABOUT *HERE?*
THE LAST TIME WAS WITH YOU.

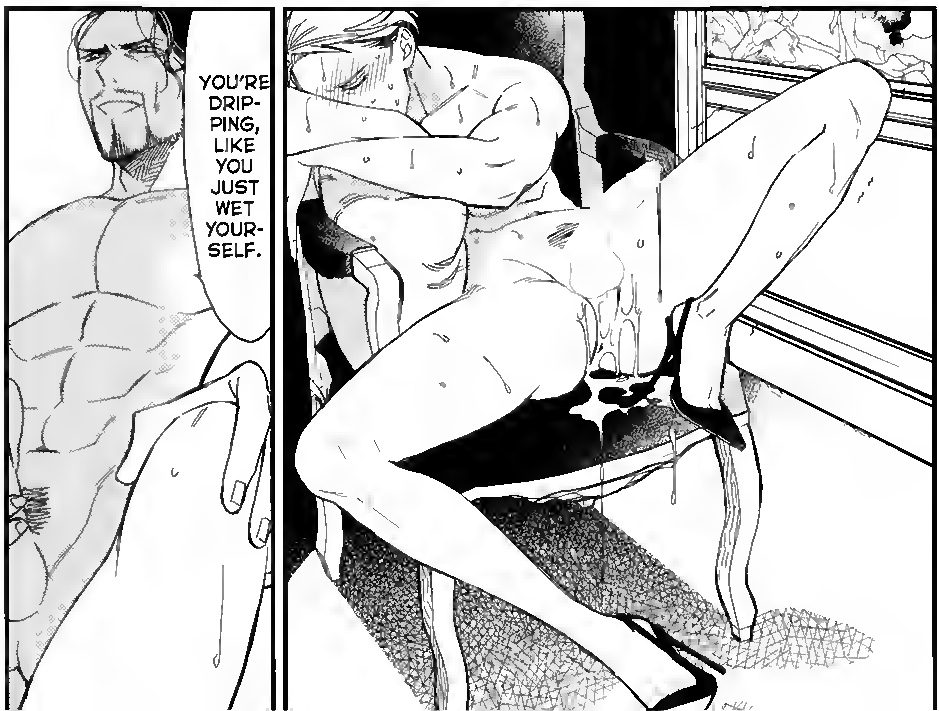
HEH
LICK IT.
THEN I'LL HAVE TO GO EASY ON YOU.

SHOVE
Hmph
TO LUST AFTER A PRUNED UP OLD MAN, YOUR TASTE SURE HAS CHANGED.

WELL, THAT'S 'CUZ YOU NEVER ASKED, DID YOU?
WHERE'D YOU LEARN SOMETHING LIKE THIS?
YOU'VE NEVER DONE IT FOR ME BEFORE.
MY TONGUE IS TIRED, LET'S GET THIS OVER WITH.
ISN'T THIS ENOUGH?
IT SEEMS LIKE YOU'RE STILL AT EASE.
...UH
THE FINGER SLIPPED IN EASILY.
IT'D BE TROUBLING IF YOU FALTERED NOW.
THAT'S A RELIEF.

YOU DIDN'T HAVE TO WORRY ABOUT MY BODY.
YOU'RE STILL GENTLE LIKE BEFORE.
...YOU CAN'T GET HARD IF YOU SEE BLOOD, CAN YOU?
ONE MORE.
SHP
!

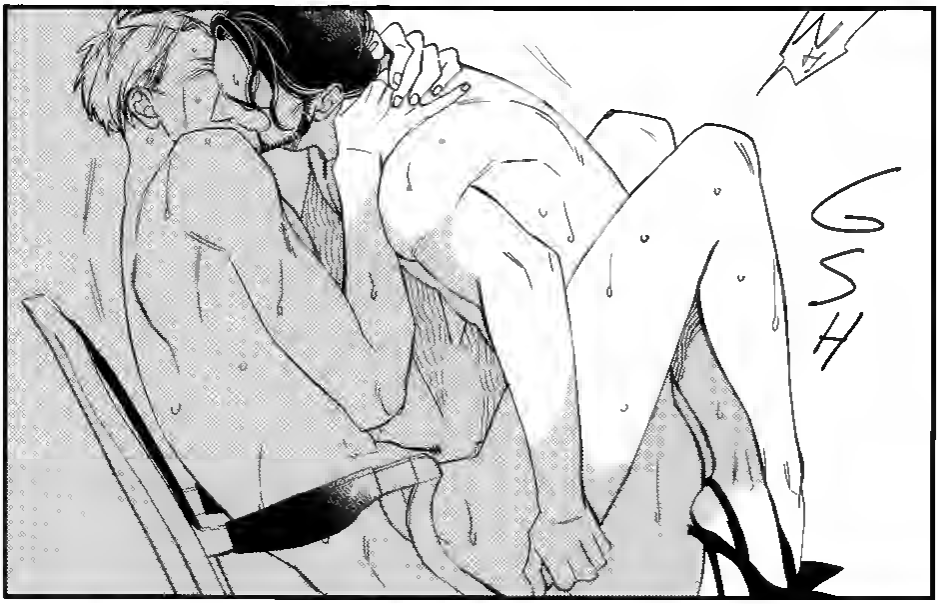
SHP
SHP


YOU'RE DRIP-PING, LIKE YOU JUST WET YOUR-SELF.

AA
IT'S
INSIDE

CARLOS,
THIS POSITION IS TOUGH.
WA-
WAIT.
I'M
NOT
LYING.
CREAK
CREAK
CREAK
CREAK
YOU'RE PRETTY USED TO THIS GIVEN THIS IS YOUR FIRST TIME IN A WHILE.
DIDN'T YOU SAY YOU HAVEN'T USED IT ALL THIS TIME?
SIGH
...
YOUR AGE, HUH?

NO.
I CAN FEEL YOU WITH MY WHOLE BODY THIS WAY, NO?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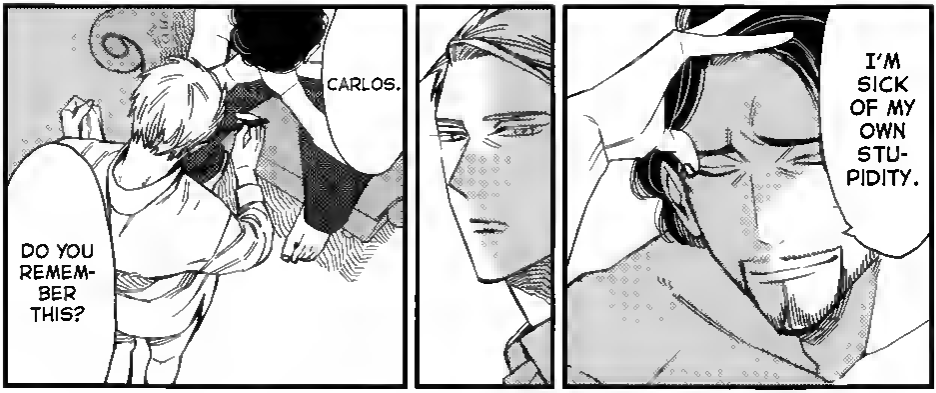
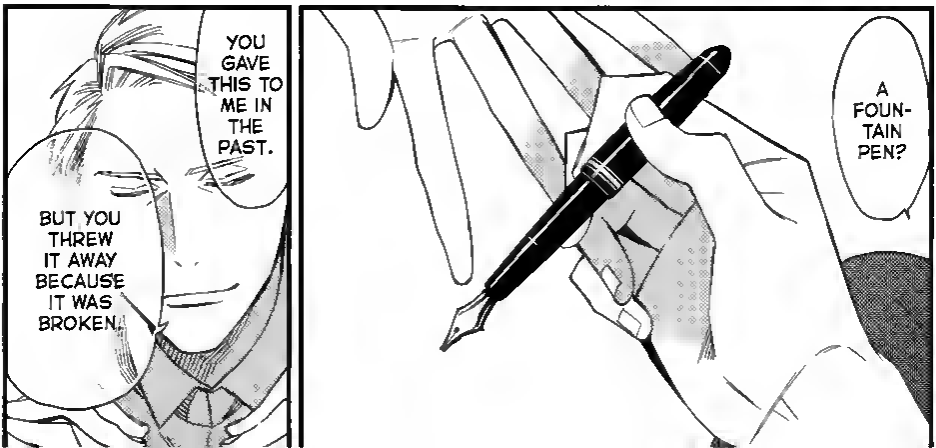
PHEW, SURE IS TOUGH GOING TWO ROUNDS AT THIS AGE!
I'LL SEND THE CHEQUE AT A LATER DATE.
DON'T YOU DARE PLAY DUMB.
I'VE BEEN DESPERATELY TRYING TO FORGET YOU FOR THE PAST 30 YEARS.

I THOUGHT IF I SAW YOU KNEELING PATHETICALLY BEFORE ME I'D BE ABLE TO DO THAT.

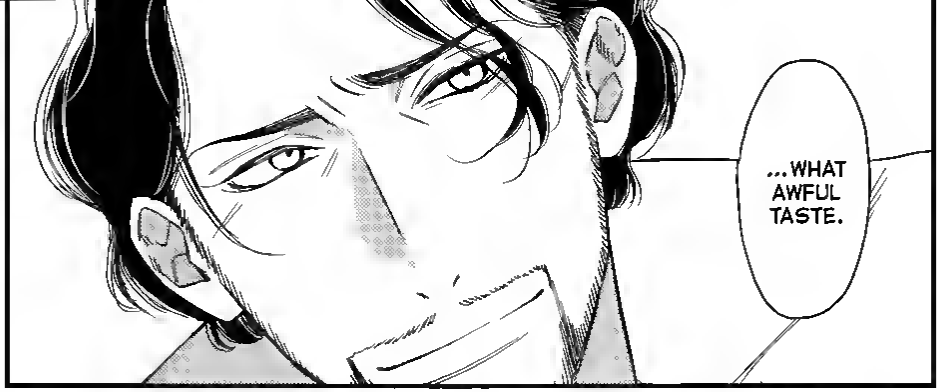
BUT YOU OIDN'T EVEN BENO IN THE SLIGHTEST.
ANO EVEN NOW MY HEART IS BEING TOYEO WITH.


CARLOS.
DO YOU REMEM-BER THIS?
I'M SICK OF MY OWN STU-PIDITY.


YOU GAVE THIS TO ME IN THE PAST.
BUT YOU THREW IT AWAY BECAUSE IT WAS BROKEN.
A FOUN-TAIN PEN?

I DIDN'T GET CLOSE JUST TO USE YOU.
WHY DO YOU STILL HAVE SOME-THING LIKE THIS...
I WAS VERY UNHAPPY WITH THAT SOFTNESS OF YOURS.
YOU WERE SATISFIED JUST BEING WITH ME, AND DIDN'T EVEN THINK ABOUT EXPANDING THE COMPANY.
BUT THE YOU OF THAT TIME WAS SOMEONE BORN INTO HIGH SOCIETY, WITH A BIG HEART BUT ZERO AMBITION.
WHAT I WAS LOOKING FOR WAS A PARTNER WITH WHOM I COULD SHARE MY DESTINY.
I'M NOT THAT NICE.
WHY COULDN'T YOU HAVE JUST TOLD ME?

CREAK.
BESIDES
NO WAY.
I'VE BECOME QUITE SUCCESSFUL MYSELF, YOU KNOW.
HOW DO YOU SEE ME NOW?
REGRET HAVING DUMPED ME IN THE SLIGHTEST YET?
IT'S UNBEARABLY SEXY SEEING THE MAN WHO USED TO BE MINE WORK HIS WAY UP IN THE WORLD.
PLIP
LIKE THIS ...


...WHAT AWFUL TASTE.

AND MORE THAN ANY-THING
THIS COMPANY IS PACKED WITH THE HEARTS AND SOULS OF MANY PEOPLE, THERE'S NO WAY I'LL SIMPLY HAND IT OVER TO AN OUTSIDER.
I WON'T BELONG TO ANYONE.
I ONLY BELONG TO MYSELF.
WON'T YOU BE MINE, MIKHAIL?
I CAN LOOK AFTER BOTH YOU AND THE COMPANY.

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